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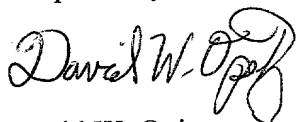
Dear Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks:

Enclosed please find a patent application for A METHOD AND DEVICE FOR CREATING A SEQUENCE OF HYPOTHESES, including a Patent Application Transmittal Letter, a Specification and an Abstract, Declaration, Verified Statement of Small Entity Status, Drawings (1 sheet), Invention Background Disclosure, and a check for \$355.00 for the application fee.

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Respectfully,



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TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the utility patent application of **Dr. David Opitz, Ph.D.** for
A METHOD AND DEVICE FOR CREATING A SEQUENCE OF HYPOTHESES.

Enclosed are:

[XX] Specifications and Abstract.

[XX] 1 sheet of drawings.

[XX] Declaration.

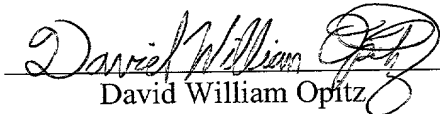
[XX] Invention Background Disclosure.

[XX] Fee Transmittal form.

[XX] a verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.

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- ☐ Charge Any Additional Fee Required
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- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Small Entity

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101	710	201	355	Utility filing fee	355
106	320	206	160	Design filing fee	
107	490	207	245	Plant filing fee	
108	710	208	355	Reissue filing fee	
114	150	214	75	Provisional filing fee	

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
17	-20** = 0	0	0
2	-3** = 0	0	0
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103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20	
102	80	202	40	Independent claims in excess of 3	
104	270	204	135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
109	80	209	40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	390	216	195	Extension for reply within second month	
117	890	217	445	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,390	218	695	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,890	228	945	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	310	219	155	Notice of Appeal	
120	310	220	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	221	135	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,240	241	620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,240	242	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	440	243	220	Design issue fee	
144	600	244	300	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	710	246	355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	710	249	355	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	710	279	355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
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